



Carolyn Rodabough, campus nurse, and Janis Jackson, biology instructor, enjoy the Inter Club Council brunch held Nov. 4 in the Student Center.

Clubs take on project

By Gilda Ramos
Rich, poor, young and old. All are victims of physical abuse. It sees no color and knows no religion.

Thousands of elderly in Texas are abused and neglected each year. Three to four hundred thousand Texas children under 14 end up with black eyes, broken bones, deep cuts and bruises each year. The number of women who are physically abused is an even greater (28,000,000 in the U.S.).

For these reasons, MCC's Inter Club Council has selected the Waco Family Abuse Center as the recipient of funds collected as an Inter Club Christmas project.

The center, organized in 1978, aids women, children and elderly who are brutalized and physically abused.

The Waco Family Abuse Center opened an emergency shelter Oct. 6, 1980, and has continued to shelter over 400 abused women and children.

The center, assisted by United Way grants and the Community Development Commission, has emergency shelter, referral and advocacy, counseling, and community education services.

Clubs are requested to help provide needs for the center by donating paper towels, paper plates, napkins, diapers, toys (new or used), canned goods and money to purchase perishable food items for Christmas.

Items should be delivered by Friday, Dec. 11, the last day of classes, to the depository set up in the Student Activities Office in the Student Center.



(Photo by Duane Laverty)

New Yellers

The Male Yell Leaders for 1982 are: (from left to right) Alex Gillespie, Rodney Van Zandt, and Johnny Adams. They will help promote spirit for all the MCC athletic teams. They were elected Wednesday, Dec. 2.

School Board still debating pros and cons

High school consolidation plan could become reality

By Judi Steja

The year: 1995. John Johnson sits in his living room with his son, who is about to start his first day in high school.

"Gee Dad," says John Junior, "What high school did you say you went to a long time ago?"

"Well son," replied the senior Johnson, "I went to Waco High School."

"Gosh Dad, I've never heard of Waco High School. That must have been a long time ago."

"Yes son. They did away with my Alma Mater during the Great Consolidation."

No, this is not a scene from the Twilight Zone.

This conversation could occur between you and your children if the Waco School Board decides to consolidate Waco high schools.

Recently, Waco School Superintendent Frank Kudlaty, presented eight reasons to the Board supporting a consolidation. Kudlaty noted that, with the larger school proposed, a broader curriculum will give all students equal access to a broad range of subjects.

"At this time, the consolidation is just a plan," said Kudlaty. "The

earliest a decision would be made is in the spring."

Of 10 plans, the Waco School Board has three main options for consolidation.

First, one high school could be formed housing 9th through 12th grades.

Second, one high school may be formed occupying multiple campuses, namely Richfield and Jefferson-Moore.

Finally, two high schools might be formed, housing grades 9 through 12. Again, this plan would utilize Richfield and Jefferson-Moore High Schools.

If the plans utilize only two of the four high school campuses, what will be done with the remaining two buildings?

"The third campus would possibly be turned into a vocational center," Superintendent Kudlaty said. "The fourth campus would either be put up for sale or converted into a middle school."

"With this plan, our number one objective is to offer a broader curriculum," said Reverend John Mayshack, President of the Waco School Board.

Besides providing a larger

curriculum for Waco students, the consolidation of the Waco schools was begun primarily to combat a declining enrollment in the Waco schools. "Enrollment has dropped from 19,000 to 13,500 students within the last ten years," said Kudlaty.

However, with the declining enrollment in the schools comes the reduced need for faculty. If the Waco schools are consolidated "we would have to reduce our staff greatly," Kudlaty said.

How many is "greatly?" Reverend Mayshack was not sure. "We have not gotten that far yet in our study of the plans. But we are fairly sure that all that are employed may not be able to stay employed with the consolidation."

In the event that faculty must be reduced, the School Board would use the Staff Reduction Policy. "A teacher would be judged on competence, tenure, and overall ability as how they have performed in their jobs," Mayshack said. "Hopefully

this will not be a problem."

There is another side to this issue. What kind of football team would be born from the marriage of inter-city rivals?

All registered voters are eligible to cast a ballot in a school board election—if they live in the Waco Independent School District. To register, go to the County Courthouse Annex, second floor, in the 200 block of N. 6th Street. Voters must be registered at least 30 days before becoming eligible to cast a ballot.

"It would equalize things," said Coach Flood, head coach at Richfield High School. "We would have one large football team made up of all the players in the city."

"We would play in the same district with Temple and Killeen high schools," said Flood. "We would be a big team."

But the consolidation's reduced faculty will also take its toll on the supply of coaches in the city. "Coaches would be dismissed like other faculty will. But the ones who stay will be more specialized. Each coach will be free to teach one sport, and not be handling the entire program single-handedly," added Flood.

Overall, Coach Flood had this to say about the Consolidation. "It is a disrupting thing, but overall we are looking forward to it. Everyone will undergo a change of some sort.

There will be no question of school names and colors, because that will all change. The nice part of it is that the new school will offer extensive curriculum, opening up new areas in sports to students."

Currently, public opinion is not running for or against the consolidation. "We have not had a public forum as of yet to get public opinion. But the remarks we do get are from people trying to understand the effects of the change," said School Board President Mayshack. "We have had questions from parents worried about where their children will be attending school. Otherwise, we have not had that many comments."

The School Board, working on a five-year timetable, plans to introduce a possible bond election to the public by next year. The introduction of such a bond is expected to raise visibility of the consolidation proposal. Ultimately, whether or not Waco high schools will merge will be a decision made by voters.

A decision on what plan to use and whether to call a bond election will be made by the School Board after the matter has been fully studied. If the decision is to consolidate, it may only be a matter of time before the hallowed halls of former high schools will be kept alive only through old yearbooks.

Spring activities on schedule

By Gilda Ramos

The fall semester is coming to a close and MCC's Spring semester along with activities are right around the corner.

Afro Student Kindred will kick off the semester with a welcome back to school dance Jan. 13.

Other activities approved for Spring 1982 include Homecoming sweetheart and Student Government vacancy elections Feb. 4-5, and MCC Homecoming basketball game Feb. 11 against Grayson County Junior College.

Student Government men's and women's singles billiards tournament deadline entry will be Feb. 12 and will begin Feb. 16. SG officers and representatives will attend the Student Government State Convention March 28-30 in El Paso. April activities include Student Government officers elections for Fall 1982 and also Highland Queen and most Beautiful Legs elections April 21-22.

Highland Games which will be held April 23 will conclude the activities for Spring 1982.



(Photo by Joey Chapa)

Members of the Forensic Squad who conquered the Paris Winter-Fest this weekend are: (left to right) Hayden Knott, Laura Frazier, David Wiley (Sponsor), Rocky Connor (President), and Terry Garrett. Story on Page 4.

FALL 1981 FINAL EXAM SCHEDULE		
Classes	Exam Day	Exam Time
DAY SCHEDULE		
MWF 8:00-8:50	Monday, December 14	8:00-10:15
9:00-9:50	Wednesday, December 16	8:00-10:15
10:00-10:50	Monday, December 14	10:45-1:00
11:10-12:00	Wednesday, December 16	10:45-1:00
12:15-1:05	Monday, December 14	2:00-4:15
1:15-2:05	Wednesday, December 16	2:00-4:15
TT 8:00-9:15	Tuesday, December 15	8:00-10:15
9:25-10:40	Thursday, December 17	8:00-10:15
10:50-12:05	Tuesday, December 15	10:45-1:00
12:15-1:30	Thursday, December 17	10:45-1:00
1:40-2:55	Tuesday, December 15	2:00-4:15
SATURDAY	Saturday, December 12	9:00-11:15
OTHER DAY CLASSES	Thursday, December 17	2:00-4:15
EVENING SCHEDULE		
Classes meeting only one night per week	6:45-9:00 on regular meeting night	during December 14-17
MW Classes	M, W Dec. 14 and 16	5:20-6:35
5:20-6:35	Monday, December 14	6:45-9:00
6:45-8:00	Wednesday, December 16	6:45-9:00
8:20-9:35		
TT Classes	T, Th, Dec. 15 and 17	5:20-6:35
5:20-6:35	Tuesday, December 15	6:45-9:00
6:45-8:00	Thursday, December 17	6:45-9:00
8:20-9:35		

*The schedule precludes the option of an uninterrupted period of 135 minutes.

DPS says 'fog contributed'

Auto accident kills student

By Judi Steja

An early morning automobile accident yesterday has claimed the life of an MCC student.

Johna Pricer, an 18 year-old from Crawford, was pronounced dead upon arrival at Hillcrest Hospital yesterday morning. The car she was riding in was struck by a truck.

According to the Department of Public Safety reports, the car driven by the victim's mother, Mrs. Carolyn Pricer, was attempting to turn on to Highway 6 from Highway 185.

The DPS report said that, due to heavy early morning fog, the Pricer car was unseen by the driver of a Pure Milk Truck.

Injured in the incident was Mrs. Pricer, 39, who is listed in stable condition in the Intensive Care Unit of Hillcrest Hospital. Sidney Craig Kelley, driver of Pure Milk Truck, was treated and released.

Johna Pricer was a graduate of Crawford High School and an MCC sophomore.

Funeral services are pending at the J.E. Stevens Funeral Home in Coleman.

Inside Today

Shari Miller, sophomore point guard for the Highlanders helps bring in MCC victories.

See related story on page 5.



Coke wins

Pepsi Challenge...

See related story page 4.

Myrt Taylor, retired Assistant Professor of Psychology and counselor at Baylor, relaxes in her office.

See related story on page 3.



Exclusive Interview with Brother Jody Powell NoZe

No one knows like the NoZe Brothers

By Harold Manning
Keko Mucklmuck! Keko Mucklmuck! Mene, Mene, Tekel Upharsin. Satchel On, Brother LongNoZe, Satch.

For those not aware of the elite NoZe Brotherhood of the Universe, East Waco Diocese, this is their official spirit yell. The NoZe brotherhood is comprised of a number of Baylor University men who, complete with Groucho Marx masks, have taken it upon themselves to enlighten each campus activity on Baylor.

What does "satchel" mean? Well, it sort of means doing something good. Of course, "satchelissimo" is the best one could possibly get.

During an exclusive interview with Brother Jody Powell-NoZe, this reporter had the experience of finding out first-hand about how this notorious organization and how they look at the world, (even Baylor), as the NoZe brothers.

"The NoZe Brotherhood came into existence at about 11:17 past milk," said Brother Jody Powell NoZe. "This date roughly corresponds to the year 1923, when a man by the name of Schope unwillingly became the first member of the brotherhood."

It seems that Schope had an unusually long nose. When some of his fellow brothers began teasing him, he grew angry and cried out, "Get out of here you satchel sons..." Schope went on screaming and making lude references to his friends' close relatives.

Schope's fellow brothers did not really know what satchel meant, but coming from a brother, it couldn't be anything bad, so they figured it was a compliment.

To this day, the nose remains the symbol of the NoZe Brotherhood.

When asked about the requirements for becoming a brother, Brother Jody Powell NoZe replied, "Sometimes we let potential members slide with a 3.9 GPA. We realize that we have to be open-minded, so we do scrape the bottom of the barrel on occasions."

Prospects are carefully screened during "unrush" at Baylor. "Infidels who wish to become brothers are told to write a satanic paper (5,342 words or less) during unrush-and post it at designated places around campus. Then the papers are read, (generally despised), by the brothers," explained Brother Jody Powell NoZe.

Nominees who show potential for living up to the high standards of the brotherhood are then contacted.

Anyone who is not selected remains an infidel. An infidel, by the way, is anyone who is not a brother, unless of course they happen to be a "hairyleg" (female).

The NoZe Brotherhood is involved in various activities at Baylor during the school year. They accept each event with renewed vigor and enthusiasm, carrying such mottos as "E-Pluribus Unum," and "Be prepared" with them.

The NoZe Brothers even insisted they are the biggest supporters of the Baylor Bears during football season.

"Oh yes, we were so proud when they won the Cotton Bowl the last three years in a row. You know, about three fourths of the team are NoZe Brothers," said Jody Powell NoZe.

"The brotherhood is also responsible for the card section during Baylor games," he added.

Currently however, the NoZe Brotherhood is considered an outlawed organization by the Baylor Administration and as such is barred from any campus activity. This action was taken mainly as a result of the NoZe Brothers' weekly, bi-weekly or monthly (whenever they feel like it) publication called **The Rope**.

The administration charges that **The Rope** unjustly mocks the official Baylor newspaper, **The Baylor Lariat**, and unjustly slurs the school name.

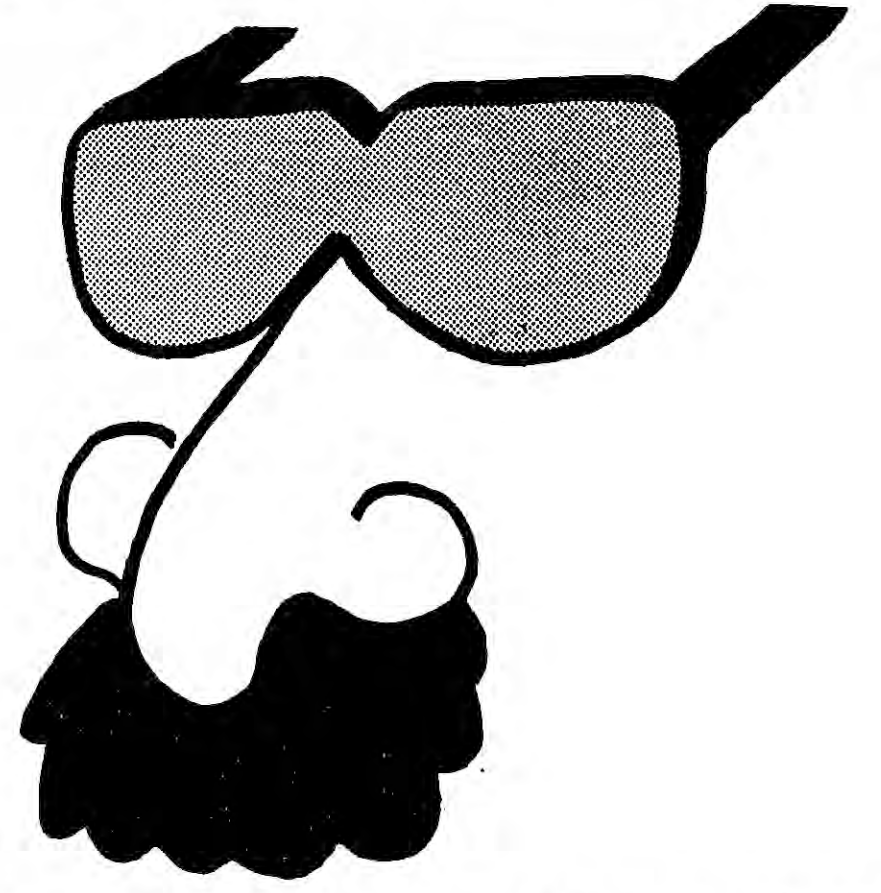
When asked whether or not these allegations were true, Brother Jody Powell NoZe responded, "Certainly not! The main objective of **The Rope** is simply to inform and serve the student body. Would the Baylor newspaper print any stories like 'Paper Peddling Catfish Run Amok?' And the only reason we chose **The Rope**, was because the **New York Times** had already been taken."

Anyway, it is doubtful that the suspension will deter the Brotherhood from their main objective as a club to, in Brother Jody Powell's words, "Promote campus beautification and inspire student spirit."

"You can't suppress an organization that has the best intentions of the school in mind," explained Brother Jody Powell NoZe. He also explained that besides school spirit and beautification, the brotherhood also hopes to one day occupy Nicaragua and complete their pledge to donate one million dollars to the school fund at the rate of one dollar per year. (Editor's note: the NoZe Brotherhood is a few years delinquent on their pledge. However, they do hope to redeem themselves.)

The NoZe brotherhood is also interested in affairs outside the Baylor Campus. When asked what he thought of Gov. Bill Clements, Brother Jody Powell replied, "I've heard of him...Yes, he's done a lot for this state and I think that he is personally responsible for adding color to the shoreline of Texas. With that seersucker suit and those white shoes, what more could you ask for in a Governor?"

The NoZe brothers have invited President Ronald Reagan to join their organization, but he claims that lately he has been too busy, said Powell.



Brother Powell said that the NoZe Brotherhood shares the same enthusiasm for Waco that they have for Governor Clements. "Waco is to America what Istanbul is to Turkey. It's a major tourist center. It's filled with exciting places to go for entertainment. Hey, it's even got a fashion mall. What else could you ask for?"

As he adjusted his characteristic Groucho Marx glasses and nose, Brother Jody Powell NoZe finally began to reveal the true nature and inner-most characteristics of what each NoZe Brother (three to 45,000 members, according to BJPNZ) is

really like deep down inside. With a seriousness of purpose, he said that, "We are like pebbles on a beach. We each have our own likes and dislikes. We don't really care for punk rock but the hair styles are fabulous."

With that, Brother Jody Powell exited the MCC Campus Publications Department, but not before finally revealing the mystery of why the N and Z are capitalized in the NoZe Brothers.

The answer Brother Jody Powell NoZe gave was simply that, "Some letters just grew up on the wrong side of the tracks."

American Spirit hangs tough through '81

By Tim Isaacks

It's the end of another long semester, and the gloomy specter of final exams causes everyone's schedules to become frenzied. But somewhere in the madness, one finds a moment to pause and reflect, "Boy, where did the semester go?"

Better yet, where did 1981 go? The year in review holds, at best, bittersweet memories for most people. But whether the aftertaste is bitter or sweet, the events were certainly newsworthy.

The new year found a new President, Ronald Reagan, riding into office on the greatest wave of patriotism since the second World War.

Even as the former movie star was taking his oath of office, 52 Americans held hostage in revolutionary Iran for 444 days were boarding the jet that would transport them out of Tehran.

During the following week, Americans watched in fascination as ABC-TV's Pierre Salinger recounted the almost year-and-a-half-long secret hostage negotiations. "Tie a Yellow Ribbon 'Round the Old Oak Tree'" dominated the nation as the hostages returned home to victory parades and receptions.

But the holiday spirit of Spring was cut short when John Hinckley Jr. made his rise to the national limelight. On March 30, Hinckley allegedly attempted to gun down President Reagan, Press Secretary James Brady, Secret Service Agent Timothy McCarthy and Patrolman Thomas Delahanty outside the Washington Hilton.

Who's On First

One of the most memorable events that stand out from that day occurred in the chaotic hours following the assassination attempt. Secretary of State Alexander Haig, trying to calm a panicky press, responded to "Who's making the decisions?" with "I am in charge here." The power assumption was sharply criticized for weeks.

As Reagan recovered, the world turned its attention to the first successful voyage of the space shuttle "Columbia" in late April. Astronauts Bob Crippen and John Young commanded the first reusable spaceship from Cape Canaveral to Space and back to Earth again, landing the Columbia like a 747 in the California desert.

But shots rang out again in mid-May as Pope John Paul II was shot in his open motorcade in St. Peter's Square in Rome. The unsuccessful assassin was Mehmet Ali Agca, a 23-year-old Turk convicted of murder two years earlier. He had escaped from prison vowing to kill the Pope.

Ste-or-r-ikel

Summer sports seemed empty in 1981 due to the Baseball strike. Enterprising capitalists attempted to fill the void left by the horsehiders by offering computer-engineered baseball games on radio.

But most of the summer passed pleasantly and peacefully. Americans breathed a sigh of relief as much of the nation pulled out of the worst prolonged drought since the 1930s.

"Raiders of the Lost Ark" kept

theaters full, and the July 29 wedding of Britain's Prince Charles to Lady Diana Spencer gave television something to boost its off-season ratings.

Britain, torn apart by inner-city riots, pulled itself together with all the brilliance and luster at its command for the wedding. Americans couldn't help but say "blimely" at the spectacle.

The U.S. was involved in several nasty air battles with Libya. Libya characteristically continued to circulate nasty terrorist teams across the globe.

'You Can't Fire Me; I Quit'

In August the Professional Air Traffic Controllers Organization (PATCO) called a strike for better pay and increased benefits. The federal government charged that the 13,000 government employees, who had signed an oath stating they would never strike, were breaking federal law and endangering airline passengers. PATCO President Robert E. Poli was adamant about the strike, but so was the government. Thousands of striking controllers received dismissal notices.

Within days, non-striking and non-union controllers and supervisors, as well as military personnel, were running the skies smoothly.

The world again looked to the skies as the spaceship Voyager 2, launched in Aug. 1977, neared Saturn during early September. Passing within 63,000 miles of the massive planet, Voyager 2 sent brilliant pictures and superlative data back to little Mother Earth.

Economic history was made Oct.

1 as the biggest federal budget cuts in history went into affect.

Constitutional history was in the news, too, as Congress verified to Judge Sandra Day O'Connor her distinction of becoming the first woman justice in the Supreme Court.

Also in October, a violence-weary world watched yet another assassination of a political figure. Egyptian President Anwar Sadat,

who had worked so hard for peace in the Middle East, was murdered while watching his own military parade. Three former American Presidents, Richard Nixon, Gerald Ford and Jimmy Carter, attended Sadat's funeral.

Sibling Rivalry

The second successful flight of the "Columbia" in November was

over-shadowed by public squabbles within the Reagan administration. Since the beginning of his Presidency, Reagan's aides had gotten more and more open with their bickering. Secretary Haig and National Security Adviser Richard Allen tossed verbal brickbats at each other, while Defense Secretary Caspar Weinberger muttered comments from the sidelines. Reagan tried to keep his "happy family" from strangling one another.

Then came Budget Director David Stockman's notorious personal interview in the **Atlantic Monthly**. Stockman was, as he put it, "taken to the woodshed," but his job remained intact.

The controversy was just subsiding when Richard Allen became involved in what could develop into a serious scandal. The allegations concerned Allen's acceptance of "courtesy" money from a Japanese magazine, as well as other "gifts."

Hey, It's Okay

Americans have weathered scandals, political upheavals and internal distresses before.

As 1981 ends, we look at our triumphs and our failures. We try not to remember what we'd rather forget, and we boast what we want to hand down to future generations.

We face 1982 with the consciousness of who we are. We are America.

Catholics celebrate

By Mary "Scoop" Salazar

Saturday, Dec. 12, marks the 450th Anniversary of the apparition of the Virgin Guadalupe, (The Virgin Mary) the patroness of Mexico.

In 1531, an Indian named Juan Diego, was on his way to visit his sick uncle in a nearby town in central Mexico.

As he was walking across a field, he saw the vision of the Blessed Mother, who asked him to tell the Bishop to build a shrine in her honor. Disbelieving, Diego asked her for proof so that her wish could be fulfilled. On her third visit, she asked him to gather some roses that were growing nearby. Diego was surprised to find the roses since it was winter time. He was to place the roses in his cloak and take them to the Bishop. As he arrived at the monastery, the Bishop opened the cloak and found an imprint of the Virgin.

This cloak is a mystery to scientists, as after so many years the image still looks fresh. This past summer, the cloak, which was

hanging above the altar in Our Lady of Guadalupe Church in Mexico City, was taken down so that scientists could make a test to see, if possible, why the image is still fresh-looking.

Many Hispanic Catholics will be celebrating the feast with church services and activities.

Saint Francis on the Brazos, at 301 Jefferson, will celebrate with services beginning at 7:30 a.m. Tamales and Menudo (a soup dish) will be served in the Church Hall. At 2 p.m., a bingo game and a film of the apparition will be shown.

In Temple, Our Lady of Guadalupe Church, 708 South 6th, will celebrate with services beginning at 6:30 a.m.

The public is invited to all activities.

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Discount store needs checkers for Xmas. Evenings and all day Saturday.

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Key punch operator needed for position 1:00 P.M.-8 P.M.

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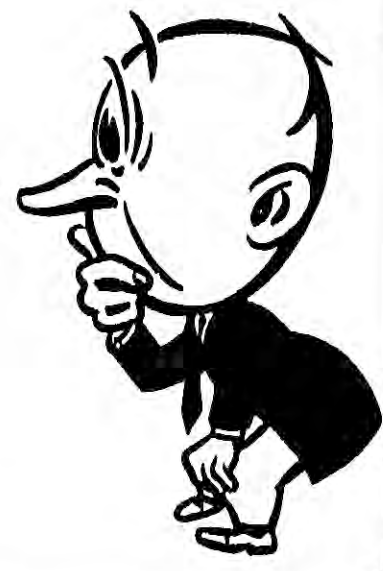
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Jewelry Sales--flexible hours. Salary plus commission.

Encyclopedia sales and other educational material. No experience necessary--work from leads. Commission sales.

If you're looking for a job, contact MCC Placement office about these openings.



NEWS BRIEFS

Class held in your home

Central Texans can earn college credit at MCC this Spring by watching television in the comfort of their own homes.

MCC will offer a telecourse in American Government through an arrangement with KERA-TV, Channel 13, in Dallas. The three-hour course, which will meet Texas teacher certification requirements, will combine televised lessons, related readings, test reviews, and examinations.

MCC Dance Company

MCC Dance Company tryouts for the Spring semester will be held Saturday, Jan. 9, in the small HPE gym from 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

The Dance Company performs at basketball games, baseball games, conventions, and other special engagements. All women interested in trying out should contact Sandy Hinton at her office in the HPE building for applications and more information.

SWTSU information Registration

A representative from Southwest Texas State University will meet tomorrow with students who are considering transferring to SWTSU.

The representative will be outside the Highlander Room from 9 a.m. until 12 noon.

Information regarding transferability of hours, credit equivalency, degree plans and admission procedures will be available, as well as, university publications.

Office Education Association

MCC's Office Education Association Chapter is urging your donations as a means of raising money to attend the Texas Office Education Association State Leadership Conference in Brazosport.

Those donating one dollar will be eligible for a drawing to be held on Dec. 11, in which an original oil painting by Don McCauley, OEA Chapter Adviser, will be given away.

The painting, an 18" x 24" scene depicting Texas hill-country Bluebonnets, will be on display in the Administration Building and in the Student Center at various times. The drawing will be held in the Student Center at 10:15, Dec. 11.

Please see Don McCauley, OEA Sponsor, AC No. 317, Ext. 229, or any OEA member to obtain a ticket.

Jamie Farrell will have tickets in the Applied Science Building.

McCauleys painting exhibited

Today is the last day to view an MCC Art Department exhibit of student work that has been up since Nov. 16 in the Fine Arts building.

The exhibition consists of drawings, paintings, designs, and sculptures. The Fine Arts building is open each weekday. The public is invited at no charge.

Students participating in the exhibition include Joanne Nye, Robin M. Poston, Gavin H. Rosas, Jacqueline Terrell, Virginia McGraw, Ann Carretto, Carol A. Cole, Vivian Hall, Donald C. Harrison, Elizabeth Martinez, Peri Olsson, Deborah Roberts, Violeta Santhabanez, Alena Sellgh and Shelly Weathers.

Other participants include Mae Zapata, Brenda Benavides, Robert Brunson, Liza Cox, Hildegard Gstatenbauer, Gail Hearn, Sandra Kotlich, Arlyn Story, Hobson Howell, Cynthia Armour, Ryland Booker, Dana Gayle, Evelyn Guest, Roger Meek, Tracy Mostyn and Cynthia Walker.

Early registration scheduled

Early registration for persons planning to enroll in Spring evening and Saturday college-credit classes will be held from 5 to 8:30 p.m., Nov. 30 through Dec. 3, and from Dec. 7 through Dec. 10 in the lobby of the MCC Administration building.

Early registration is designed to give students the opportunity to complete the admission process early and in one visit to the MCC campus. During early registration, students can select their courses and pay all fees for the upcoming semester.

Regular registration for evening students will be held Jan. 6-7 in the Health and Physical Education Building.

Evening classes for the Spring semester will begin Monday, Jan. 11. Saturday classes will begin Jan. 9.

Regular registration for daytime students will be Jan. 6-7 in the MCC Health and Physical Education building. Daytime classes for the Spring semester will begin Monday, Jan. 11.

For more information, call 756-6551, Ext. 235.

Myrt Taylor joins MCC as counselor

There's a new face in the Displaced Homemakers' office. Myrt Taylor, a retired assistant professor of psychology and counselor at Baylor University, has joined the MCC staff to work as a counselor.

Taylor, whose field is mental health, has worked in the McLennan County Mental Health Association, holding offices from president on down. Taylor has served on the State Mental Health Board for two years. She was one of four members of an appointed commission to draw up plans for the Waco-McLennan Mental Health-Mental Retardation Center located in Waco, and serving Central Texas.

In addition, Taylor served as coalition chairman for the research and community education program for the Waco Area Rape Crisis Center. She also chaired the committee for Services for the Physically Abused and is one of the leaders motivating the community to establish the Family Abuse Center

in Waco.

Taylor has also served on the board for Displaced Homemakers.

Taylor, who has two sons and three grandchildren, said, "I have a wonderful family.

"They have always been very supportive of my community involvements."

Taylor's husband died this past year from a serious illness.

"I'm a senior citizen," she said. "If my husband had lived, we would have been married for 60 years."

"He encouraged and supported me," she added.

Taylor plans to work for Displaced Homemakers until Christmas and then she said she is going to hibernate for about six weeks.

And although Taylor has already devoted much of her life to helping others, she said there are still some changes she would like to see in the community.

In addition to hiring Taylor, Displaced Homemakers has formed

two groups that meet regularly on campus: New Perspectives and the Second Wind group.

New Perspectives is a group of divorced, separated, and widowed individuals or those with a disabled spouse. This group meets each Monday at 7:30 p.m. in room 102 of the Liberal Arts Building.

Second Wind, developed for students over 25 years old, helps the student deal with the stresses and

anxieties of going back to school. This group meets Tuesdays at noon and is led by Hazel Martin. On Wednesdays, the group meets at 10 a.m. and is led by Dr. Marylea Henderson. Both meetings are held in the Highlander Room.

If you would like more information on Displaced Homemakers and how you may participate in one of these groups, call 756-6551, Ext. 237.



(Photo by Joey Chapa.)

Josie Garcia, Counselor, adds some finishing touches while trimming the Counselor's Christmas tree.

club news

MCC clubs are planning various activities to celebrate the Christmas season.

'Money Tree'

Pan American Club is selling tickets for a "Money Tree" which will be filled with \$25. Tickets are selling for 50 cents and can be purchased by any Pan Am member.

Pan Am will also be donating gifts to the Waco Center for Youth.

Caroling

Restrict Us Not (RUN) will go caroling and donating baskets of food and fruit to the needy.

BSU Christmas Party

Baptist Student Union will get together with the TSTI-BSU and celebrate their Christmas party on Dec. 11 at TSTI. Plans have also been made to go Christmas caroling to Christian Manor Nursing Home.

Press Party

The Press Club, comprised of Highland Herald staff writers and Fourth Estate groupies, will have a Christmas party Dec. 20.

Members bid farewell and good luck to a fellow reporter, Olu Solarin, who will be continuing her education at North Texas in Denton.

Our Mistake

Our apologies for a misprint in the Nov. 10 issue as the title and sponsor were left out of the A.D.N. club. A.D.N. stands for The Nursing Students Association. Cherry McCormick and Dorothea Lanoux are sponsors.

'Welcome Back Party'

Plans for the next semester are underway by Afro Student Kindred. After registration lines, schedule changes, and all that neat stuff that usually goes wrong at registration, A.S.K. members want you to enjoy yourself with a "Welcome Back Party" featuring "3D-DJ" Dec. 19. Refreshments will be served. Tickets are \$1 in advance, and \$1.25 at the door. Tickets can be obtained from any ASK member.

Plaid Vest will recite

Ann Harrell's speech club, the Plaid Vest, will have its "best speakers" recitation on Wednesday, Dec. 11, in LA 101 at 10 a.m. Refreshments will be served. Presentations include puppeteering and speeches. The performers will also be available for special presentations during the week of final exams.

Christmas business up for Waco merchants

There are only 17 days left until Christmas.

Merchants at large retailing stores in the Richland Mall, predict an increase in sales this year.

"Our Christmas shoppers came in a little later this year. Last year customers were Christmas shopping the week before Thanksgiving," said Bob Payne, manager of J.C. Penney Co., Inc.

"I don't know if it has anything to do with the Baylor Bears winning the Southwest Conference," he said humorously. "But we believe that we will come out as well as last year or with an increase. Our Atari games and the traditional gifts are doing well."

"It's a little too early to tell, from the weekend after Thanksgiving, we came out about even," said W. D. Helms, store manager for Sears Roebuck and Co.

"Our microwave ovens are doing well, better than last year."

"We are heavily in business, and predict increases for this year," said Dillard's manager Dan McNeil.

"I can't really point out any big items that are selling extra well. Everything is doing well."

With more competition in the

discount stores arena, K-Mart Assistant Manager Billy Jaster said, "There is some competition with Target and the new TG&Y Family Center, but we have not been hurt by them. Results of how different percentages are for this year and last year are not final, but we are doing about the same as last year," Jaster said.

Since last year, Cox's has expanded to cover a fourth of the Westview Village Shopping Center.

"This whole year has been good," said Frank Latham, vice-president of Cox's Department Store. "It's a bit early to tell of any kind of results, but our western wear and gifts of brass and items of that sort are doing very well."

At Goldstein-Migel Company, Huge Hefener, manager, said, "We are coming out even, maybe with an increase. We have the largest cosmetic department between Dallas and Austin, and this is where some of our large purchases are."

"Business keeps rolling into the store," said Fred Oliver, manager of Montgomery Ward. "It's too early to tell, but our soft-lines clothes, etc., video games, and our televisions are doing very well."

New law affects Social Security

By Debbie Cownover

"Several important changes have been made in Medicare health insurance protection by a recently enacted law," said Jim Keen, Social Security district manager in Waco.

Hospital insurance changes include the fact that amounts are paid by patients based on the hospital insurance deductible in effect during the year the services are received, rather than in the year the benefit period began.

Medicare insurance changes also include the fact that the medical insurance annual deductible will be raised to \$75, from \$60, starting in 1982. Under the old law, any medical expenses during the last three months of a year that counted toward that year's medical insurance annual deductible also counted toward the following year's deductible. This is called the "carry-over rule."

Benefits for mothers and fathers who care for an entitled child will end when he or she reaches 16. Under the old law, the benefits ended when the youngest child reached the age of 18. For parents entitled to benefits in August 1981, or before, the change will become effective September, 1983. The change is effective immediately for parents becoming entitled after August of '81.

The new law allows payment of Social Security benefits to workers at 62 and for dependents of retired and disabled workers only for mon-

ths in which conditions of eligibility are met for the entire month. This means that benefits would be first paid for the month following the month the person reaches the age of 62. Under the old law, a benefit could be paid for the month a person reached 62, even if he or she reached 62 near the end of the month.

Disability benefits have been changed also. Under the old law, a disabled worker under 62 who also received workers' compensation could not receive combined Social Security and workers' compensation payments totaling more than 80 percent of his or her pre-disability earnings.

The new law makes three changes in the provision. First, the offset will apply to disabled workers 62-64.

Second, the offset will apply to certain other disability benefits provided under federal, state, and local programs.

Third, the offset will apply the first month the worker receives both Social Security and the other public disability benefit.

This change in the law is effective for people who become disabled after February, 1981, and who become entitled to disability benefits after August, 1981.

For more information about these and other changes made in Social Security, contact the Waco Social Security Office.

Due to the preference of an earlier date for Spring Break, MCC has changed its traditional spring break from Easter week to March 7-12.

Several organizations discussed and decided to re-schedule the spring recess to coincide with that of Waco I.S.D. and other area school districts, which is one week before Baylor's Spring Break.

MCC's Academic calendar has also been changed due to conflicts that would have existed with the previous calendar.

The Academic calendar for Spring 1982 is as follows:

Early Registration (Evening Students)	Nov. 30-Dec. 3 Dec. 7-10
Faculty Report	Jan. 6
Registration	Jan. 6-7
Saturday Classes begin	Jan. 9
Other classes begin	Jan. 11
Last day to register late or change classes	Jan. 14
Twelfth class day	Jan. 26
TJCA Convention	Feb. 19
Last day to withdraw with automatic "W". After this date, grade may be a "W" or "WF"	Feb. 23
Spring Recess	March 8-13
U.I. Contest	March 31
Easter Holidays	April 9-10
Last day to withdraw from a course	April 12
Dead week	April 29-May 5
Final Examinations	May 6-12
Commencement	May 14
Semester ends	May 14

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Pecore gives brief reviews

By Vern Pecore

Critics not sold on Rush, but public is

RUSH—Exit...Stage Left, Mercury SRM27001, Produced by Terry Brown.
Rush hit the top five with their last two albums, *Permanent Waves* and *Moving Pictures*. They should have no trouble on the charts with this double-live LP. Rush includes their best known songs with a touch of live raw energy. "The Spirit of

The Radio." "Closer To The Heart," and "Tom Sawyer" fair well. Rush will not be at the top of the critics list for best albums of the year, but will probably outsell all of the albums on that list, put together.

'the real thing'

Coke wins Pepsi challenge

By Lillian Hill

While the energetic sounds of country and western music vibrated the Student Union Nov. 25, MCC students conducted their own Pepsi Challenge.

Kookie tasting proved to be the most popular event. John Cox and Julie Denison hustled to record the preferences of 41 students and faculty. The Keebler cookie was lighter in appearance and Cox's favorite. However, "Nabisco won by far," he said.

Facial distortions and "Uck!" were the comments of some students who unknowingly tried diet colas. They didn't like either choice. These were non-diet cola drinkers. "Most guys who tried the diet cola didn't like them because they don't drink diet drinks. It was the girls who could taste what was what. It was close," remarked Cyndi Potet, "six to seven for Diet Pepsi over Tab."

Kava Instant scored a surprising upset over Maryland Club ground coffee. Each brand was tasted black. Glenda Tucker and Lillian Hill speculated that the Kava win might indicate that more coffee drinkers are using instant than previously expected. Cereal lovers started their day off right with cornflakes provided by Tim Kuebler. The palate pleaser proved to be Kellogg's over the H.E.B. brand, Village Park. One-fifth of those who tasted the cornflakes liked one brand as well as the other.

Class members offered comparison tests for diet colas, cornflakes, cookies, coffee, uncolas, and colas.

Best Cuts: Those Cited

EARL THOMAS CONLEY—Fire and Smoke, RCA AB14135. Produced by Nelson Larkin. Earl Thomas Conley, Newcomer Conley displays his vocal talents on the former No. 1 country title cut. The album includes four former hits along with new material. Conley has the vocal impact George Jones plus a unique style. Conley's writing skills are also showcased on the album.

Best Cuts: "Fire and Smoke," "Tell Me Why," "Silent Treatment."

RESURRECTION BAND—Mommy Don't Love Daddy Anymore, Light LS-5803. Produced by Resurrection Band and Roger Hess. Religious music takes off in new directions once again with this new release from the Resurrection Band. Heavy rock overtones grace each cut on the LP. This is a concept album about the effect of today's world on children. Vocals on each cut are effective, while the instrumentation captures the sound of AC/DC and Rush. This four-man, one-woman group has something to say to their listeners.

Best Cuts: "Mommy Don't Love Daddy Anymore," "Alienated," "Can't Get You Outta My Mind."

Benatar sizzling with 'Precious Time'

By Craig Pulu

So many times, it happens all too often. Someone whispers "Promises In The Dark," in "The Heat of The Night," it's just a "Crime of Passion," but still, it wastes your "Precious Time."

Have you noticed that the last three albums by Pat Benatar have dealt with basically the same thing?



'Amahl and the Night Visitors' (Photo by Duana Lavery)

Performance set for Dec. 11

Gian-Carlo Menotti's *Amahl and the Night Visitors* will be performed by the MCC Opera Workshop at 8 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 10, and Friday, Dec. 11, in the Fine Arts Theatre. Performances are free and open to the public. A double cast will be used in the production, directed by Lisa Uhl-Lamm, MCC Voice instructor, and Donald Balmos, choral director. Danny Grace constructed the set. Flo Wendorf directed the choreography. The title role will be sung by Chris Low, a Waco elementary youth and son of Mr. and Mrs. Len Low of Waco, and Beth Bumpas of Mexico. The character of the mother will be played by Laura Anderson.

Benatar sizzling with 'Precious Time'

Only it's the side of love that we really don't like to remember. For some reason, Benatar has gotten away with this three straight times. She has managed to pull off a great job each time.

Benatar's third album, *Precious Time* has been on the charts for about three months, and in that time has gone number one, with two hit singles also having been released, "Fire and Ice" and "Promises In The Dark."

Overall, the album is good. Before listening to this album, I had heard that Benatar screamed her way through this album. Not so. As a matter of fact, she sings only three-fourths of this album. The rest of the album is musical fillers. The rest of the band never lets her down, either. Benatar receives great support from the keyboards and her bass guitarist. As far as the songs are concerned, the composition is great. The words and the music are well matched, and Benatar's returning theme of love-gone-sour is seen throughout the songs...
Precious Time is well worth yours.



Rock 'n' Roll band members of the Alen Rensch group filled the expectations of a large audience in the MCC Student Center Friday, Dec. 4. Pictured (l to r) are John Swanner, Steve Hammonds, Bryan Cooper, and Red Rogers (not pictured, Mike Andrews).

Forensic Squad receives excellent rating

By Amy Neal
The MCC Forensic Squad traveled to the Paris Winter-Fest this weekend where they placed second in Sweepstakes. Both trophies and certificates were given to the 12 talented students. Trophies are awarded for first, second and third. Certificates are the judge's option.

In extemporaneous speaking, MCC took first, second, and third. With the judge's unanimous vote, Thynlon Knott received first. Danny McNair placed a close second and Terry Garrett brought in third. Knott received an Excellent certificate, while McNair and Garrett received Superior.

MCC golfers have a proud tradition

Many intelligent MCC students don't realize who's been going on since September. Golf. That's what. And MCC has a fantastic golf team to prove it.

The team has finished its fall season, competing in five tournaments and one match. MCC won 3 of 5 tournaments and their match. MCC Golf Coach Robert Ammon is in his first year here. Previously, he coached golf at a San Antonio High School. MCC golfers Mike Board and Brett Nelson said, "We think Coach Ammon has done a great job missing money for the team. He really went to bed. He had to fill the shoes of the winningest coach in junior colleges. He has done a super job."

MCC's first tournament was the Southwest Recreational in Ft. Worth at Pecan Valley Golf Course Sept. 18-19. MCC placed first with a total of 899 at the end of three rounds.

MCC's Steen Tinning birdied four of the first five on the back nine the last day to secure the victory. Paris placed second with a total of 905. The freshmen team from Texas Wesleyan placed third with 921.

At the Waterwood National Golf Club in Huntsville Sept. 21-22, MCC placed third behind the freshmen team of the University of Texas and Paris. Tinning scored 80 in both rounds for a 160 total after two rounds. Eddie Welch, sophomore from Kilgore, scored 75-85 for a 160 final.

MCC brought home a battered victory from the Temple Junior College Invitational Oct. 5-6. After shooting 296 in the first round,

MCC was 10 shots out of first. Paris rolled up a 286.
Eddie Welch's four under par 68 and Steen Tinning's two under par 70 led MCC to a second-round comeback. Tinning defeated Darryl Henning of Paris in a five-hole sudden death playoff.

For the fourth tournament MCC placed first and the Elkins Lake Country Club in Huntsville, Oct. 22-23. MCC had a total of 293 in the first round, 295 in the second round, with a 588 total.

Tinning scored 71 on each round with a low total of 142. Darryl Donovan, sophomore from Miami, Florida, scored back-to-back 76's for a total of 148. Eddie Welch had a 76 in the first round, a 74 in the second round, for a total of 150.

Tinning took his second straight tournament medalist victory as MCC took two straight victories. The university division winner was Stephen F. Austin with a 607 total. Defending national NAIA champion, Sam Houston, finished with a 617 total. MCC flourished, taking first in both divisions.

The final tournament of the Fall was at San Antonio's Pecan Valley Golf Course, Nov. 5-6, in the Odessa Intercollegiate. MCC finished fifth out of ten.

After two rounds, Texas A&M finished first with a total of 589. MCC finished with a 609 total. Brett Nelson, a sophomore from Tyler, and Mike Board, a freshman from Austin, each scored 150.

Board said, "I enjoy playing for MCC because of their winning tradition. The guys on the team have a real winning attitude." On Oct. 19, MCC captured their



Linksters capture tourney (Photo by Duana Lavery)

The proud MCC Golf team is carrying on a winning tradition again this year. Members of the team are (left to right): Greg Boyd, Eddie Welch, Brett Nelson, Steen Tinning, Darryl Donovan, and Mike Board. On the front row are Keith Howard and Harvie Welch. Not pictured is Steve Minor.

2-0 in league play

Highlanders win conference openers

Here they come again! Though they have been on the road for the past few weeks, the MCC men's basketball team is on a victorious streak.

Tournaments in the spring will include Huntsville, Austin, Beaumont, Odessa, Paris, and Dovesville, Alabama. Matches will be with Baylor, TCU, A&M, U.T., S.F.A., and Texas Wesleyan.

On Nov. 27-28 in Athens at the Henderson County Classic, the 'Landers went into overtime both nights in closely-fought battles.

Saturday night, it was the same story, except the outcome was in reverse. The Highlanders tied the Blinn Buccaneers 51-51. In the final two seconds of overtime, freshman Vincent Green made two free throws, giving MCC a 60-58 win. Boatwright scored 23 and Carl Fitzgerald had 10.

Dec. 2 was the conference-opener at Cisco. To some teams, playing on the road could be less than encouraging. There was no problem for the 'Landers. They brought in an 85-74 victory.

Coach Ken DeWeese said, "It is really a head start to go on the road and win your conference opener. To be able to win the conference, you have to be able to win on the road. That is really important."

Boatwright sank 23; Green made 12; and Fitzgerald brought in 11 for MCC.

Saturday night, Dec. 5, the Highlanders played their first home game in weeks. They celebrated with an exciting 85-74 victory over Weatherford. This was a most unusual game consisting of 57 fouls.

MCC has a season record of 8-4 and in conference play, they are 2-0. MCC played Hill Junior College Monday night but no score was available by press deadline.



Shari Miller sophomore point guard for the Highlanders takes a break from her hectic day to pose for the camera. (Photo by Joey Chapa)

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Eagles' hits remain forever

By David Anderson

On many lists of the top groups of the 70s, the Eagles name comes up. The Eagles have had hits like "Life in the Fast Lane," "Take it Easy," "Take it to the Limit," "I Can't Tell You Why," and "Hotel California," their biggest hit ever which was released in 1976 on the album *Hotel California*.

top of the rock world. But since the tour for the album, the Eagles haven't recorded another album. They did release *Eagles Live*, but the majority of the songs on that album were recorded in 1976 in Los Angeles.

Since that time, the group's members have headed in different directions. Joe Walsh (guitarist) has recorded another album. Don Felder (guitarist) who plays the lead into *Hotel California* has written the song "Heavy Metal" for the movie of the same name.

Don Henley (drums, lead vocals) was busted for possession of cocaine and put on two years probation. Henley recorded "Leather and Lace" with Stevie Nicks on her album *Bella Donna*. The Eagles' two other members, Timothy B. Schmidt (bass) and Glen Frey (guitar, vocals and founder of the group with Henley) have dropped out of sight.

Alen Rensch band radiates high energy

By Vern Pecore

MCC student body ears were filled with "down home rock and roll" as the Alen Rensch band performed last Friday, Dec. 4, during activity hour. Strains of Foreigner, Billy Squier, and Led Zepplin could be heard by campus passersby.

"We've been playing together as a group, for the past eight months," said Lead Singer Steve Hammonds. Other group members include Lead and Rhythm Guitarists Red Roger and John Swanner, Drummer Bryan Cooper, and Bassist Mike Andrews.

'We just want to keep on playing rock and roll.'

The band hopes to make it big as a "rock and roll" band, though they have played other types of music. "We even played a couple country and western clubs. I thought I was going to get my throat cut," said Hammonds.

Future plans include acquiring a booking agent and the tasks of writing and performing original material. Band members are optimistic about their future plans. "We just want to keep on playing rock and roll," said Hammonds.

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Editorial to Lowlanders

Remember when a representative from the Lowlanders split organization came up to you and asked if you wanted to join? And you did. Well, why haven't you been to the games, you backsliders? The Lowlanders don't mean every game. If we tried to make every game, we would have to completely forget about school. All they ask is that you try and make the Monday and Friday games. The Lowlanders who are not attending home games barely number 15. But they are putting all the life they can into the tomb called the Highlands gymnasium. They are attempting to resurrect the lifeless forms that call themselves an audience. So far the response has been pretty good. When the Lowlanders yell, the crowd yells, and this is great. But these few faithful Lowlanders can't do it alone. They need fresh voices to back them up. They need you. If you signed up to be a Lowlander, they would like to see you at some of the games. Just come out and try yelling for the Highlanders. It'll do you good. By the way, I forgot about you people who are just too cool to yell at athletic events. You're just too mature to let anyone see you show support in public. Well, that's O.K., no sweat off their noses. They only want those who are mature enough to be their own people and not worry about what everyone else will say. The Lowlanders know what they are doing is to help their team, and they will do anything to ensure that the Highlanders will be victorious. Even the Basketball coaches have thrown their support to the Lowlanders. They say that the Lowlanders generate electricity that helps the teams play to their ultimate potential. Just think, more Lowlanders, more electricity. So this is an open invitation to any and all, guys and gals, who would like to cheer with the best, the Lowlanders. Come join them any Monday, Friday or Saturday night home game in the Highlands gym. Be a part of the organization that will go down in the history books of MCC. You can tell your grandkids that you were once one of the few, one of the proud. You were a Lowlander and you loved it. We'll see you at the game.

Advertisement for Lowlanders basketball team: 'Come yell with us'. Includes photo of players on the court.

Every Tuesday is MCC Day at Magic Brush Car Wash

Advertisement for Magic Brush Car Wash. Features a 50% discount and details about services like windshield cleaning, waxing, and polishing.

Editorial

Santa kicked out of mall

By Harold Manning

"Busy sidewalks, city sidewalks, dressed in holiday style. In the air there's a feeling of Christmas."

Ah yes. The feeling of Christmas. Christmas trees, Ronco Slicer decers, the smell of pine and Santa Samaritans ringing bell next to donation kettles.

Wait, scratch that last part. We won't see as many Santas from the Salvation Army this year. At least not at Waco's biggest shopping attraction, the Richland Fashion Mall.

This year, Salvation Army members will not be allowed to set up their kettles at the main entrances of the mall. They will be allowed only at the entrance ways of the major stores outside of the mall. That's right, the entrances where nobody enters. When someone goes shopping at a mall like the Richland Fashion Mall, he usually goes to walk around and enjoy the Christmas atmosphere, as well as shop. The most logical, and most-used entrance way, is the main entrance way.

The reason Al Jones, general manager of the mall, gave for not allowing groups like the Salvation Army permission to set up outside the main entrance way was that they had too many applicants for space at the mall this year. They had eight applicants including groups like the Shriners, the United Negro College Fund, and the Muscular Dystrophy Association.

The best way, according to Jones, to solve the problem of too many organizations, is to not let any club set up shop. Brilliant reasoning.

There are two main entrances to the mall, six days in a shopping week, and 30 days in December. Surely there's another solution.

Everyone has a favorite charity. Christmas is a time of giving.

The Salvation Army's Janet Harrison said, "Of course it will hurt our efforts. Last Christmas, we averaged about \$200-\$300 a day at the main entrance ways. The diversity of groups was no problem."

After receiving complaints about the proposal, some coming from the Mayor's office, the Richland Mall decided to designate the proceeds from the mall's fountain to the Salvation Army's Christmas fund.

When asked whether or not this will make up for the money lost as a result of the mall manager's decision, Harrison replied, "I doubt that the money from the fountain for the whole month of December will amount to the daily average for last year."

The fact is that the Salvation Army could end up with less money. "Some people are paid minimum wage (\$3.35 per hour) to man the kettles. If they only get 50 cents for one hour at one of the entrances we are alloted at now, we end up losing money," explained Harrison.

"Most Waco merchants bend over backwards to help our people at the kettles. I'd say about 90 percent are cooperative," she said, adding, "It's only right that they should. The Santas and Salvation Army kettles are as much a part of Christmas as Christmas trees."

This Christmas season, however, shoppers will probably see less of the Salvation Army's activities unless they happen to enter the mall through Sears or the Penney's.

Last year, the Salvation Army's Christmas drive aided 966 Waco families. The Army's "Toys for Tots" campaign provided enjoyable Christmas mornings for over 2,000 needy children.

It's a shame to think that the people helped this year might be helped less because the Salvation Army's effort was hindered by the Richland Fashion Mall manager's decision.

Fantasy vs. Reality

TV's 'Lou Grant' not always accurate

By Glenda Tucker

"Lou Grant" is a dramatic and well-written television series, but does not always depict reality, according to several professionals.

"Lou Grant" is more real than a lot of the movies of the past," said Lin Mills, city editor of the Waco Tribune-Herald.

Mills has been a journalist since the 1950s. Mills has worked for the Tribune-Herald for the past 10 years.

According to Mills, when visiting the "Lou Grant" newsroom, one gets the impression that two reporters and one photographer put the newspaper together. But, Mills said, it takes a lot of people to put out a newspaper.

The reporters (characters on the series) are always working on one big story and the atmosphere of the newsroom is extremely relaxed, he said. It would be good if reporters could isolate one story, Mills said, but it just doesn't work like that.

A good writer is proud of every story he does, not just the "biggies," Mills explained.

Mark Webb, metro sports editor at the Tribune-Herald, said he watches "Lou Grant" periodically.

"I think the things (happenings on the series) capture the confusion," Webb said.

He explained that, like the repor-



Bill Moore, Dayside Police Reporter, works at a VDT.

ters on the series, all reporters have big egos.

According to Webb, there are two photographers at the Tribune-Herald who stereotype the series' photographer, Animal.

"They are not three-piece-suits. You wouldn't want to take them home to meet your parents," Webb said.

Webb explained that the two Tribune-Herald photographers are not conservative in appearance. They never wear ties. They are always relaxed and never get too excited. They have to be that way to do such a good job, Webb said.

As in the TV series, the Tribune-Herald has several women reporters.

Webb said he feels that having an aggressive woman reporter in the series is good.

As for stories, Webb explained that Waco has few controversial issues compared to Los Angeles. The biggest controversial story for Waco was the Baylor Lariat Playboy issue, Webb said.

Dayside Police Reporter Bill Moore, has been with the Tribune-Herald a little over a year.

Moore said that, at first, it bothered him to watch the series. He explained that it was difficult for him to watch Billie and Rossie as they interviewed someone and

didn't write down all the good quotes.

However, Moore said that he feels the series is extremely well-written and has "one hell-of-a-director."

"Animal is a little flaky," Moore said.

Most photographers despise Animal's character, as they can see things he is doing wrong, such as shooting with both eyes, Moore explained.

As for Lou Grant, Moore said, "I've never known a city editor like him, but I'd like to."

Laura Lippman, general assignment reporter at the Tribune-Herald, feels that overall, the series does a good job, considering the dramatics of the show.

One gets the impression from the series that three reporters and one photographer put the newspaper together and they are always working on front page stories, she said.

Lippman, who has been with the Tribune-Herald since June, said that the only time it has bothered her is when the reporters (characters) take it upon themselves to solve crimes, to act as detectives.

"Journalists are not working to solve problems," she said.

"The fact is, the life of the journalist is not exciting—it's not a television show," Lippman said.

Publisher of the Waco Citizen newspaper, Bill Foster, has been in journalism since he was 11 years old.

The Citizen is a small biweekly newspaper. In this respect, it doesn't compare to the "Lou Grant" newsroom, Foster explained.

Foster's wife is editor of the paper. As in the series, the editor and publisher can be on opposite sides as to whether to run a story or not, Foster said.

"I wrote an editorial this week and we delayed it because the timing wasn't right," Foster explained.

When asked how the publisher lives with the editor, Foster replied, "Sometimes I overrule her and sometimes I let her change it. Most of the time I let her have her way," he added.

Foster recalled having one reporter who was the stereotype of Rossie. He said that this reporter did a lot of investigative reporting, took a lot of notes, and would look

himself in his office and write it up.

"It (the series) has been good PR for the industry, giving people insight of the workings of a large newspaper," Foster said.

Arthur "George" Mann is wearing two hats in the field of journalism while working for The Reporter newspaper and KHBR radio in Hillsboro.

Mann explained that he has only been working for a month-and-a-half using his journalism degree, but can relate to the series after two years of journalism in college.

"I can relate to it, being in school and dealing with the hassles," Mann said.

Mann said he couldn't say his job is just like the series, as right now he is treated like the new kid on the block.

"Mann said he feels that as time goes on in his job, he will be able to determine the amount of realism in the series."

"Lou Grant" is a good series with some degree of reality. However, the professionals in the real world of journalism know where the reality ends and the fantasy begins.

MCC gives 2 degrees

By Judi Steja

Sophomores, are you graduating at the end of next semester?

MCC offers two degrees.

An associate's art degree is given to any student who has completed the first two years of a program designed to lead to a bachelor's degree.

In other words, if you will have at least 60 hours without HPE credits, you are eligible for an associate sheepskin.

MCC also offers an associate in applied science degree.

The degree is given to students who have completed one of the required courses of study in the technical area.

MCC also offers a one-year certificate in technical education.

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Alcohol quiz for the holidays

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 2. It is less intoxicating to drink on an empty stomach? T _____ F _____
 3. If you have a Christmas party and serve alcohol to your guests you will not be held responsible if someone drinks too much and has an accident on the way home. T _____ F _____
 4. A 12 ounce can of beer equals a 1 1/2 ounce shot of whiskey in alcohol content? T _____ F _____
 5. The only way to sober someone up is with a cold shower or strong black coffee. T _____ F _____
 6. If you serve an alcoholic punch, you should use a non-carbonated punch base. T _____ F _____
 7. It is okay to serve alcoholic drinks during the last hour of the party. T _____ F _____
 8. 28,000 people are killed on US highways each year by drunken drivers. T _____ F _____
 9. Friends don't let friends drive drunk. T _____ F _____
 10. Over 80 percent of college students use alcohol regularly. T _____ F _____
- Answers...
1. ONE It actually takes one hour for the body to use up ONE drink.

2. FALSE Food, especially protein, helps to slow down the rate at which alcohol is absorbed into the bloodstream.
3. FALSE The law DOES hold you responsible. For the "Tipsy" guest, either find someone to drive him home, or let him "sleep it off" before going home.
4. TRUE They are equal in content... and so is a 4 oz. glass of wine.
5. FALSE There is NO SHORT CUT for sobering up! The only cure is TIME. Remember, one hour for every drink!
6. TRUE Alcohol is absorbed by the body much faster when combined with a carbonated mixer. Fruit juice or tea is a preferable base for party punches.
7. FALSE During the last hour of the party serve coffee or some other non-alcoholic beverage. This will give your guests extra time for their bodies to absorb the alcohol they have consumed.
8. TRUE Don't be a holiday traffic statistic. Watch out for drunken drivers and don't drive if you drink.
9. TRUE If your friend is drunk and you are sober, you must take charge and not allow them to endanger their life or the lives of others.
10. TRUE In fact, drinking is on the increase among young adults and is becoming a major problem for teenagers and pre-teens, partially adapted from BODY TALK

Students should consider DWI consequences

Alcohol and drugs commonplace among youths

By Amy Neal
Alcohol and drugs have become commonplace among teenagers and young adults. Many have never been in trouble

for drinking underage or using drugs. But some have. The true story below is one of an 18-year-old MCC student who got caught...t-wice.

On a Thursday night, not too long ago, someone who shall be referred to as "Jim," was arrested for DWI (driving while intoxicated). Jim was drinking underage (since Texas changed the legal drinking age to 19 in September).

Jim had been to a club. He had quite a lot to drink. "I was so drunk I got lost going home and ended up on I-35. By the time I had turned around, I was really mad because I had gotten lost. I was going about 75 mph when I passed a highway patrolman going 55. He arrested me, took me to jail, and booked me," said Jim.

"I called a bail bondsman who got me out for \$100. Then I called my dad to come get me. The fine was \$300."

"The next day I went to court and was put on unadjudicated probation for one year, which also meant I got to keep my driver's license. That time, my lawyer fees were around \$250," said Jim.

The next day was Saturday. Jim went to a keg party in Midway. He left with a friend to go meet some other people on an old dirt road. They each had a beer. "We were sitting in the car waiting when some cops pulled up behind us. We got rid of the beer and jumped out of the car to see what they wanted. One cop flashed his light in the car

and saw a pipe in the ashtray. He said that was probable cause to search the car. The guy I was with had some marijuana with him and the cop found it."

Jim and his friend were arrested for possession of marijuana and drinking underage. They were both booked. This was Jim's second time. His fine was upped to \$400.

The police report was messed up and stated the marijuana belonged to Jim, he said. He happened to call his probation officer a few days later and she told him there was a warrant out for his arrest. "So I went and turned myself in. It was another \$100 to get out, \$450 for my lawyer fees and \$300 more for my bail bondsman," Jim said.

"Now I have an 11 p.m. curfew for the next two years. I have to work 50 hours doing community service work. The probation officer can come by or call my house anytime they want to check up on me. I report to my probation officer the first Monday of every month."

"If I violate my probation again, I will go straight to jail. If I make it through the two years, it will all be completely erased from my record," said Jim.

Incidents like this happen daily. It has been a nightmare for Jim. During the upcoming holidays, take care of yourself and your friends.



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Reporter tells all

Mark Webb, metro sports editor for the Tribune-Herald, working hard at his desk, where nothing stops him from getting his story.

EDITOR'S NOTEBOOK

By Amy Neal

Christmas vacation is almost here, that is, if you can make it through exams. But we're all bright, intelligent students who won't have any problems with exams, right?

Christmas vacation is the best time of the year. What other season has the carolers, Christmas trees, gifts, time for family and friends to gather, and plenty of time to catch more episodes of General Hospital.

Many doubt the credibility of shows like General Hospital. How ridiculous! Don't tell me it ever crossed your mind that the merry threesome of Luke, Laura, and Robert couldn't actually save the world from the House of Casadino.

Sometimes though even I, the avid fan I am, have difficulty comprehending Laura Webber Baldwin Spencer. Remember the mixed up teenager who shot her mother's lover? She really went through some problems but finally got to marry her one true love (huh huh), Scotty Baldwin.

Then she ran off with Luke Spencer after their famous night at the

disco. After Scotty became a drunk in Mexico, she finally got her divorce decree so she could marry Lucas Lorenzo Spencer. Naturally, one copy of the decree was burned. The other was stolen. Poor girl, she has such a rough life. Laura does have her problems. I have barely skimmed the surface naming these few.

Then there is the big question—Who shot Dianna Taylor?—which has been going on for almost a year. Was it really the obvious Heather? Or what about Mrs. Grant? Personally, I hope it was sweet, innocent Annie Logan.

I am not alone in my obsession with General Hospital. At 2 p.m., TV sets all over America are tuned to watch the antics of the Webbers, the Quartermaines, the Baldwins, the Spencers, and the Hardys, and a new couple, yet one of my favorites, Charlie and Emma Lutz.

You may laugh now wondering how someone can continually abuse their mind with such trash. But take it from me. Watch one episode. You'll be hooked into the OH epidemic.

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